

His Majesties  
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**L E T T E R**  
TO THE  
**PARLIAMENT**  
OF  
**SCOTLAND.**

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**WILLIAM R.**

My Lords and Gentlemen,

**T**He Resolution We had to have been Personally present with you in this second Session of Our Parliament, did occasion the first Adjournments; and though the Sitting down of Our New Parliament of England, and other most important Affairs do hinder Us to Prosecute that Design at present, yet We are so desirous of the Happiness and Contentment of Our Ancient Kingdom, that We have Determined Our Expedition to Ireland, shal not delay Your Meeting: And to that effect, We have Nominated and Authorized Our Right Trusty and Entirely beloved Cousin and Counsellor, George Earl of Melvil, Our Sole Secretary of State, to be Our Commissioner, and to Represent Our Royal Person in this Session of Parliament, Whom We have Instructed to give You full Assurance of Our tender Affection and great Care towards that Our Kingdom, and particularly in Relation to the Establishment of Church Government in that Way which may be most conducive to the Glory of GOD, and agreeable to the Inclinations of Our People, that the Security of the Peace of the Country, and Payment of Our Forces, may be Provided for; and such other Laws may be Enacted as may render you Happy and Contented.

By Our Instructions (which We Ordered to be Published for Your Information) Ye will perceive the Readiness on Our Part to have Answered the Desire of Our People, the last Session of Parliament; and We are confident, Your Zeal to Religion, Your Loyalty and Affection to Us, and Your Duty to Your Country, will make You lose no more Time, but vigorously fall about the Settling the great Concerns of the Nation, upon just and reasonable Foundations, in which You shall always have Our Royal Assistance and Protection. We have made choice of the Earl of Melvil, upon sufficient Experience of his Faithfulness to Us, and his Affection to his Country: And We do require you to give him that Credit and Regard which is due to Our Commissioner, and to avoid all Occasions that may Create or Foment Differences and Animosities, to Retard or Obstruct the Unity and Success of Our mutual Endeavours for the Publick Good, and so We bid You heartily Farewel. Given at Our Court at Kensington, the 18th of April 1690 And of Our Reign the Second Year.

Directed thus,

To the Noblemen and Commissioners for Shires and Burrows, Assembled in Our Parliament of Scotland